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In re Application of	:	<b>Attn: Mail Stop Amendment</b>
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Serial No. 10/572,721	:	Examiner: Sara Addisu
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For: CUTTING TOOL AND ROUGHENED	:	
ARTICLES USING SURFACE	:	
ROUGHENING METHODS	:	

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION / RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to November 14, 2008 Office Action, Applicants hereby elect *Invention I* (Claims 1-15) without traverse, as explained below.

**Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-44 are pending, with claims 1, 16, 17 and 28 being the only independent claims.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.